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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT : Redelegations of Authority to Perform
Functions Delegated to Agency OfficialsREFERENCES : A. Memorandum dated 22 August 1955 to
Chief, Regulations Control Staff,
from Deputy Comptroller, same subject

B. Memorandum dated 25 August 1955 to
Acting Deputy Director (Support) from
Chief, Regulations Control Staff, same
subject

1. The Chief, Regulations Control Staff, in Reference B, has recommended that his staff "be instructed to adopt the policy of omitting references to designees in proposed regulatory issuances except in those cases where delegations of authority are not permitted."

2. This office has no legal objection to this proposal. For prospective application we feel that such a policy would clarify an area of present ambiguity. However, there are many outstanding delegations of authority from, for example, you to your office heads, which we feel were intended to delegate authority only to those individuals without power of further redelegation. Consequently, if the proposed policy is adopted it should be recognized that those authorities delegated in the past without a specific statement as to redelegability could henceforth be redelegated regardless of the original intent.

Office of General Counsel

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